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Letter dated 14 July 2015 from the Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am writing to you in my capacity as Chair of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission.

I visited Burundi from 1 to 3 July 2015. The attached report* provides a summary of the conversations and meetings that I held during my visit, as well as my conclusions. While originally planned as a protocol farewell visit, the objective focused on urgent peacebuilding challenges created by the crisis in Burundi following the announcement by the President of his intention to run for a third term in office.

The people of Burundi deserve a peaceful, prosperous life in harmony and national unity, and I sincerely wish for the country to overcome its current crisis for a brighter future. With the help of international partners, Burundians will have to overcome this crisis through an open and inclusive dialogue.

This was my last trip to the country before moving to my next diplomatic assignment. I therefore wish to thank the Government of Burundi for its confidence and cooperation over the past five years. I also wish to thank the Security Council and the members of the Burundi configuration for their strong commitment and support, in addition to the Secretariat, the Peacebuilding Support Office and United Nations staff, both in New York and in Burundi, for their valuable assistance.

I kindly request that the present letter be circulated to the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Paul R. **Seger**
Chair
Peacebuilding Commission
Burundi configuration

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